

Corporation shall be \$1,125.00 which shall be divided into 75 shares of the par value of \$15. each; of which authorized stock \$1,125.00 has been subscribed and the amount of \$660. has been paid.

5. Corporators--

Names	Address	No. of Shares
John A. Beverage	Clover Lick	15
A. N. Barlow	Warwick	15
G. S. Weiford	Warwick	15
George W. Allen	Warwick	15
Charles Shinaberry	Clover Lick Deed Book 45 page 43	15

John A. Beverage became the first President of this company and G. S. Weiford was Secretary and Treasurer.

The chief works were later moved to Clover Lick and J. J. Coyner became president. This company owned the exchange at Clover Lick and had connection through the exchanges at Marlinton and Dunmore. They paid a certain amount for each telephone that made exchange through these switchboards.

In a deed made March 14, 1930 the Marlinton and Clover Lick Mutual Telephone Company conveyed to the Pocahontas Telephone Company all of its property and assets for \$575.00 telephone lines along the road from Marlinton through the brush settlement to the Alderney school house, thence to Clover Lick, thence to Dunmore, and from Clover Lick across the mountain to Linwood. Signed by Charles Shinaberry, Pres.

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Marlinton and Elk Mutual Telephone Co.

Certificate of Incorporation

April 26, 1912

1. The undersigned agree to become a Corporation by the name of the Marlinton and Elk Mutual Telephone Company.
2. The principal place of business shall be in the village of Slaty Fork, West Virginia.
3. The chief works shall be in the village of Edray.
4. The total amount of Authorized Capital stock shall be \$625. to be divided into 50 shares at \$12.50 per share.

5. *Incorporators* -

Names	Address	No. of shares
L. D. Sharp	Slaty Fork	1
Robert Gibson	Slaty Fork	1
John D. Gibson	Slaty Fork	1
W. L. Gay	Edray	1
Levi Gay	Edray	1

This company had lines beginning at Marlinton, along the Marlinton and Huttonsville Turnpike, now U. S. Route 219, through the village of Edray, thence to Slaty Fork.

This company is still a mutual company, and is the only mutual company still in existence in the county. All the others having sold their assets to the Roanoke Telephone Company or having just been discontinued.

This company was organized for the convenience of its stockholders, who are all farmers, and not for profit.

The line was originally bought from the Ronceverte and Elkins telephone company, which agreement is in part as

follows: An Article of Agreement between the Ronceverte and Elkin Elkins telephone company, parties of the first part, and James Gibson, trustee for the Marlinton and Elk Mutual Telephone Company, of the second part. The parties of the first part agree to sell that portion of the system known as the Elk Line from where the line from Elk connects with the line running from Staunton, Virginia to Ronceverte, W. Va. on the Clover Lick road, but the parties of the first part reserve the right to put upon said poles either a grounded or metallic circuit if they so desire, said lines to be put on cross arms far enough below the present ones so as not to interfere with said service.

It is further agreed that the said trustee is purchasing said line for a company to be hereafter organized and they hereby bind said company to comply with the provisions of this agreement and by the proper officers after the company has been legally organized. signed by- A. W. Arbogast, Manager August 27, 1908. (Deed Book 43 page 428)

You will notice that though this line was purchased in 1908, the company was not fully chartered until in 1912.

the Pocahontas telephone Company

Certificate of Incorporation

May 10, 1919

1. The incorporatörs shall become a corporation by the name of the Pocahontas Telephone Company.
2. the principal place of business shall be at Marlinton.
3. to conduct a general business throughout the counties of Greenbrier, Pocahontas and Randolph in West Virginia and the counties of Bath and Highland in Virginia.
4. To erect its poles and wires along all public highways, roads, lanes, and alleys, with the consent of the Common Council and the consent of the County Court of these counties.

The said Company may acquire by purchase or lease any of the property or right of ways of any other telephone companies, and make any contract with any other such companies consistant with the general laws of this state.

5. The total amount of the Authorized Capital stock shall be \$15,000. divided into 1500 shares at \$10. per share.

6. Incorporators-

names	Address	No. of shares
Dr. H. C. Solter	Marlinton	50
George P. Moore	Edray	50
Dr. J. W. Price	Marlinton	50
S. H. Williams	Marlinton	50
W. C. Householder	Marlinton	50

A. P. Edgar was appointed Attorney, and George P. Moore was the first President of the company.